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Title: Method And System For Performing A Task On A Computer

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in conjunction with the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE). More specifically, the RCE and this Preliminary Amendment are being filed in further response to the Final Office Action of September 8, 2004, and the subsequent Advisory Action of March 1, 2005. Favorable consideration is requested.